

Morris-Town 20th May. 1777.

My dear Parry.

I hear you are returned with your Company to Boston, indeed I have received a letter from your recommendation of a Mr. Mallen, who is appointed a Brigade Major to the French Genl Mowatt at Boston. I long to know whether the Assembly of Massachusetts has yet taken up arms and has Regiments and how you proceed thither what I sometime ago wrote you about Mr. Parry's intended attempt upon Boston, was the then report founded on a letter which I afterward saw published in a Boston paper - I have heard no more about the matter since, except that the British Court cannot go the Germans they intended. However I think is what America by no means ought to trust to - tell me whether the authority at Boston have taken any precautions or

whether they believe the report — inform me whether
Matters continue in the same state as when I wrote them. The
also inform me how the privateer at Newburgh
are — whether the latter has paid — Our Army
lies fast — we shall soon be in a condition of fighting again
the enemy — a noble arrival lately Woolsey
and others in Chesapeake bay — the day on the enemies
Inglis in your Bay — have W. Paul & Marley
yet attack'd them — I wish ardently with
that they may succeed

Three today returned from an
excursion to the North River where Genl. Wayne
and myself were sent off by night

pray ask Master Willegs whether the
two lots are yet sold — I almost expect
of the instruction given him to sell them as
good Herds are here very rare — If you please
them very excellent Irish you could drive

him to get me castrated for me and sell the
then you may suppose with the best to
be resold for myself and then he sent
to Staynton at Milton to be kept at Beaupre with

Adieu my dear Mary
Wm

Letters from
Franklin & H.K.C.
May 20. 1771

Colonel Harry Jackson
Dixton
Saved by Capt. Chapman